

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1 and 15 and ADD new claim 16 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An information processing system comprising:
an information disclosing server for disclosing contents; ~~and~~
a portal server for obtaining information regarding contents from the information disclosing server and for creating display data ~~provided to a client; and~~
wherein the information disclosing server comprising:
contents storing means for storing the contents; and
additional information storing means for storing additional information indicating the respective attributes of contents to be disclosed of contents stored in the contents storing means and relations among the contents to be disclosed,
further wherein the portal server comprising:
additional information obtaining means for obtaining additional information stored in the additional information storing means in the information disclosing server;
additional information storage means for storing additional information obtained by the additional information obtaining means;
display data creating means for obtaining, in the case of a request having been made from the client, the appropriate additional information from the additional information storage means and for creating display data; and
sending means for sending display data created by the display data creating means to the client which made a request.

2. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 1, wherein the additional information storage means stores the additional information by creating folders having a hierarchical structure which corresponds to the logical structure of the contents and by storing the respective attributes of the contents in each of the folders.

3. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 2, wherein information for designating a template used to create the display data is associated with the folders, further wherein the display data creating means creates display data according to an appropriate template.

4. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 3, wherein the template creates display data according to an argument provided by a client or according to an argument stored in the additional information storage means.

5. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 4, wherein the additional information storage means contains a shortcut by which other folders or contents can be referred to from a predetermined folder.

6. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 5, further comprising editing means for editing additional information stored in the additional information storage means.

7. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 6, further comprising user additional information storage means for storing additional information according to users, wherein the editing means also edits additional information stored in the user additional information storage means, further wherein the display data creating means also creates display data from additional information stored in the user additional information storage means.

8. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 1, wherein the additional information obtaining means obtains additional information from the information disclosing server by a method designated in advance.

9. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 1, further comprising additional information creating means for creating additional information from contents stored in the contents storing means.

10. (ORIGINAL) An information disclosing server for disclosing contents, the server

comprising:

contents storing means for storing the contents; and

additional information storing means for storing additional information indicating the respective attributes of contents to be disclosed of contents stored in the contents storing means and relations among the contents to be disclosed.

11. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable record medium recording a computer program executed on an information disclosing server for disclosing contents, the program executing functions comprising:

storing the contents; and

storing additional information indicating the respective attributes of contents to be disclosed of the contents stored and relations among the contents to be disclosed.

12. (ORIGINAL) A portal server for obtaining information regarding contents from an information disclosing server for disclosing contents and for creating display data provided to a client, the portal server comprising:

additional information obtaining means for obtaining additional information stored in the additional information storing means in the information disclosing server;

additional information storage means for storing additional information obtained by the additional information obtaining means;

display data creating means for obtaining, in the case of a request having been made from the client, the appropriate additional information from the additional information storage means and for creating display data; and

sending means for sending display data created by the display data creating means to the client which made a request.

13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A computer-readable record medium recording a computer program executed on a portal server for obtaining information regarding contents from an information disclosing server for disclosing contents to a client and for creating display data provided to each client, the program executing functions comprising:

obtaining additional information stored in the information disclosing server;

storing additional information obtained;

obtaining, in response to a request from the client, the appropriate additional information

stored and for creating display data; and

sending the display data created to the client which made a request.

14. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A portal server for obtaining information related to contents from an information disclosing server connected with the portal server, the portal server comprising:

an additional information acquiring unit obtaining additional information stored in a storage unit of the information disclosing server;

a storage unit provided to the portal server storing the obtained additional information; and

a display data creating unit acquiring the stored additional information for creating display data upon receipt of a request from a client, where the created display data is sent to the client based on the receipt of the request from the client.

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of acquiring information of contents stored in an information disclosing server via a portal server, comprising:

storing the contents including attribute information thereof, the attribute information indicating logical structure of the contents;

acquiring a requested content from the information disclosing server and creating a corresponding file in the portal server; and

displaying data to a ~~user~~client based on the created file in the portal server, where contents of the file are organized based on the stored logical structure and the displayed data is customized based on changes to the file in the portal server by the ~~user~~client.

16. (NEW) An information processing system, comprising:

a client;

an information disclosing server disclosing contents to the client; and

a portal server obtaining information regarding contents from the information disclosing server and creating display data to provide to the client, the client obtaining the display data and displaying the data.